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ENORMOUS HOLDINGS IN TIMBER LANDS

Bought by Big Companies for Speculation

GREAT FORTUNES ARE INVOLVED

County Court Will be Asked to Take up Cruising

The county court of Washington County will soon be asked to get the values on the standing timber held by the big lumber companies in Washington County, so that an equitable assessment can be made. Within the past ten years great holdings have passed from the many homesteaders into the hands of ten or twelve companies. These lands have been bought for all the way from \$500 to \$6,000 for each 160 acres, and the investment will pay four and five times the amount involved and then leave the owners the naked land, much of which can be converted into fine dairy and fruit lands. Over fifty thousand acres are held by these big companies, taking those tracts which are decided and which are under contract. The Southern Pacific still holds several thousand acres under its grant, and the big companies have some of this under contract of sale. So far as can be learned the title-holdings and the companies owning, together with the acreage, is as follows:

J. L. Washburn	10,000
Blodgett Co. L. D.	5,000
Western Timber Co.	3,000
Sage Land & Imp. Co.	4,500
John Schroeder Co.	4,700
The Astoria Co.	2,400
Edmund Hall	1,100
John Dufko	1,000
Wright Blodgett Co.	950
Detroit Trust Co.	750
John Schroeder Co.	4,700
W. H. Stinson	2,300
Hammond & Winton	2,300
Total acreage	44,740

PUBLIC SALE

The undersigned will sell at public sale, at the John Heinrich's place, 2 miles south of Reedville, on the Farmington road, at 10 a. m., on

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

14 milk cows, 8 in milk, and 3 coming fresh in February; 6 hogs, 75 to 100 pounds; 8 dozen chickens, back, buggy, 5 milk cans, two of them 5 gallons, one an eight gallon, and two ten gallons; cream separator, bed-room set, cook stove, kitchen treasure, 3 cross-cut saws, baby buggy, and numerous other articles. Lunch at noon.

Terms of sale: \$10 and under, cash; over \$10, one year's time, 8 per cent, bankable note.

O. M. TAYLOR.

J. C. Kuratli, Auctioneer.

A. P. BURRHUS

A. P. Burrhus, who was born in Dutchess County, N. Y., died at his home in South Hillsboro, Thursday, January 31, 1907. Deceased moved to Racine, Wisconsin, early in life, and late in years went to Dakota. He was formerly a brother-in-law of J. L. Case, the big farm implement manufacturer. About 38 years ago he was wedded to his surviving wife. He came to Oregon in 1897. He was a stepfather of Frank Wallace, a prominent farmer of Farmington. The burial took place Friday, in the local cemetery. Deceased had been a sufferer from asthma for many years and his death had been looked for a long time. He was a well informed man and an inveterate reader.

PUBLIC SALE

The undersigned will sell at public auction at his farm 5 miles southwest of Hillsboro, and 1 mile west of the Johnson sawmill, at ten a. m., on

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Large grey horse, weight about 1700; seven good milk cows, from three to seven years old, five of them in milk and other two will be fresh soon; 5 pure bred White Wyandotte chickens; nine silver laced Wyandottes; 2 ten gallon milk cans; some wheat for chicken feed, and numerous other articles.

Terms of sale: \$10 and under, cash; over \$10, 8 months' time bankable note, 6 per cent.

WM. AITON.

B. P. Cornelius, Auctioneer.

Argus and Oregonian, \$2.

T. P. Goodin, the West Union contractor and builder, was in town Friday.

Residence property for sale or for trade. Located south of Southern Pacific depot.—Wm. Tipton.

P. J. Ritchey & Son have opened a vegetable store where Correy formerly had his stand, on Main Street, opposite the Hotel Tualatin. They formerly resided near Greenville, this county.

The Crescent Theatre seated 630 people Friday night, the play being the Midnight Flyer. All the seating capacity of the playhouse had sold out before six o'clock, and Buxton and Banks had made reserves for about 150 seats. The play was not of the best and still it weathered a week at the Empire, in Portland, and gave satisfaction there. The coon was the bit of the lines. The crowd was good natured and seemed to think they had their money's worth.

For Rent: Farm of 65 acres in plow land, and 80 acres pasture. Two and one-half miles north of Glencoe. Good buildings. Fine place for dairy; plenty of running water. For terms apply to C. Hickenbottom, Hillsboro, Ore., corner Second and Oak.

The Portland Corvallis passenger which passed through here Friday morning had a wreck this side of McCoy, all five coaches having been derailed. The engine remained on the track, however. Benj. Scholfield, who was going to Monmouth to attend a meeting of the board of regents, of which he is a member, was a sufferer in the wreck, but he is getting around all right again.

To lease for term of years: Farm of 187 acres, 60 acres cleared, 9 miles from Portland, three miles from Bethany. Will rent for cash. Good buildings and stable fitted for dairying.—Grant Holcomb, Hillsboro, Ore., R. 1. Pacific States Phone 369.

Judge Goodin recently bought in 33 pieces of real estate for the county at the delinquent tax sale, the amount of the taxes being \$388.44. The clerk will draw a warrant for the amount and it will be turned to the sheriff and thence to the county treasurer, who will receipt for the amount, thus making the sale regular, as per statute. This will not give land owners a loophole to crawl out of payment later on.

For Sale: Fine driving horse, 3 years old, weighs about 1100 and will grow; well broke and good single gait; sired by Lovelace, and is a fine traveller. Inquire of Argus office.

Frank Sholes, of this city, and son of A. S. Sholes, is at present acting as cashier of the Cornelius State Bank, vice J. A. Thornburgh, who is getting the affairs of the Forest Grove National Bank into shape to begin business in the not distant future.

For gentlemen's, ladies' and children's hose you can do no better than to buy of John Dennis. We have them for everybody, and at prices that are values.

Attorney Geo. R. Bagley, Dr. J. P. Tamesie and Fred Schomburg returned Saturday from an extended stay in San Francisco, principals in a suit brought against a can company by the Oregon Condensed Milk Company.

Wanted: Good, gentle, true work horse, 1100 or 1200. Will pay cash, but must be bargain. Daniel Stoller, Hillsboro, R. F. D. 1, Helvetia.

Emmett Quick came down from Buxton Monday night and went on to Philomath, Tuesday, to visit his father, D. O. Quick, well known here, and who is now 77 years of age.

We have ordered a car load of wire fence direct from the factory. We can save you five per cent. on same if ordered immediately.—Schulmerich Bros.

Friday and Saturday there was about six inches of snow, and it remained until Monday night, when a Chinook from the south cleaned it all up before morning.

We sell more agricultural implements than all of our competitors, put together. The reason—we ship direct from the factory, and pay spot cash for them. Come and get prices.

G. W. Kelley, of Vinelands, was in Monday, and says the snow up in the hills was not as deep the first of the week, as it was down in the valley.

We have a few suits left for children and men that we are closing out at cost to make room for Spring arrivals.—Schulmerich Bros.

B. C. Hollenbeck, of Maintainedale, was in town Tuesday, returning home from a visit in Clackamas County.

Our line of spring dress goods have commenced to arrive from New York. Come and see them.—Schulmerich Bros.

C. F. Smith, the contractor and builder of Minter Bridge, was in town Tuesday evening.

H. C. Pearson, of South Tualatin, was an Argus caller, Tuesday.

Wm. Meierjargen, of West Union, was in town Tuesday.

Argus and Pacific Monthly, \$1 50

FORTY FIVE MINUTES TO PORTLAND TOWN

President Swigert, Oregon Electric, Writes Letter

SAYS HAS THE SHORTEST ROUTE

Promises to Double Property Values Here

President C. F. Swigert, of the Oregon Electric Company, the organization that is building between Salem and Portland, via Tualatin, writes a letter to the Argus, which is well explanatory. His letter follows.

(Editor Argus.) In your issue of Jan. 24, you published an article under the caption, "Oregon Electric Files its Deeds," and in the body of the article made the following comment: "This is the line that runs from Salem to Portland and it is expected that eventually it will start at Tualatin and build up the river to Hillsboro and thence to Forest Grove."

Permit me to correct you as to the route which this company will take should it decide to build to your city.

Our Salem line, at the summit west of Bertha, is within twelve miles of Hillsboro and only a short distance south of the direct line.

Should we decide to build through Washington County we can do so over the shortest line ever surveyed between Portland and Hillsboro, and on grades and curves little, if any, heavier than those of the transcontinental lines. We are also building an electric road that will be second to none in the United States and in every way superior to anything that has ever been projected in this state.

We are ready and willing to build to Hillsboro, but we have only one way of building railways, and that is with the money of our stockholders and with steel, copper and other materials of like nature. We have no experience in "newspaper roads" and no knowledge of that class of railway construction, nor are we skilled in the ways of promoters, but whenever the people of Washington County have had enough of "hot air" railway schemes and wish to do business with people who do not depend upon free advertising and announcements that they have "now floated their bonds" and have money by the train load, but who, on the other hand go down into their pockets and put up their own money, we are ready to listen to any reasonable proposition to make Hillsboro a suburb within forty-five minutes of the center of Portland, with a frequent train service of the highest type and to double the value of all property in the vicinity of the road.

SIX GRADE GRADUATES

Supt. Case gives the Argus the result of the recent 6th grade examinations held in the county:

Total number of applicants	58
Number earning diplomas	58
Number who passed conditionally	23
The names and addresses of those who earned certificates are as follows:	
William C. Will	Hillsboro, Oregon
John T. Conwell	Dilley, Oregon
Ben Kuhns	" "
Cecil Tupper	" "
Anna Thompson	Cornelius, Ore. R. 2
Esther Bimmel	Hillsboro, Ore. R. 2
George Burkhalter	" "
Frank Schulmerich	" "
Names of those who passed conditionally are as follows:	
John Mulloy	Laurel, Oregon
Lettie Chambers	" "
Marion C. Crawford	" "
May Frost	" "
Walter Larson	" "
Edward Smith	Cornelius, Ore. R. 1
Ronald C. Vaughn	Hillsboro, Oregon
Lillie Amacher	" "
Victor H. Kindt	" "
Earl Luther	" "
Theodore Hobbs	" "
Elizabeth Atkinson	" "
Marguerite Goodin	Dilley, Oregon
Helle Johnson	" "
Walter Wolf	" "
Gordon Knight	" "
May Rines	Cornelius, Ore. R. 2
Ribel Bierly	Beaverton Ore. R. 3
Roy Bierly	" R. 3
Agnes Anderson	" R. 3
Ralph Cole	Sherwood, Oregon, R. 5
Albert Saxton	Hillsboro, Oregon, R. 2
Martin Bernard	Forest Grove, Or. R. 2

Argus and Journal, \$1.75.

All kinds of hardware.—C. A. Lamkin Co.

Ben Brown was in the city from Laurel, Monday.

E. B. Tongue and Cal Jack Jr., visited Sunday in Portland.

Peter Gotlieb, of North Hillsboro, was an Argus caller, Monday.

Buy your school tablets at McCormick's.

Frank Francis, of West Baseline, was up from below Newton Tuesday.

Paints and oils.—C. A. Lamkin Co.

E. J. Crabb, of Buxton, was in town Monday.

Born, to County Judge J. W. Goodin and wife, February 3, 1907, a son.

We lead in groceries—the best brands—prices always the lowest, and 16 ounces to the pound.—H. Wehrung & Sons.

Perry Abbott and Miss Helen Ordeaman, of Portland, were Hillsboro visitors, Sunday.

Schoolboys and girls will find everything in school supplies (except school books) at E. L. McCormick's.

Saturday Evening Telegram and Argus, \$2.00 per year.

Charter Oak stoves and ranges.—C. A. Lamkin Co.

Miss Ona Ford visited in Portland and Beaverton, Sunday.

Simonds Cross-cut saws.—C. A. Lamkin Co.

A. Reverman, the Centerville roadmaster, was in town Friday.

A. A. Mead, of Buxton, was down the first of the week.

H. Wehrung & Sons carry a full line of Heitz pickles and bottled goods.

Judge Hollis was down from Forest Grove the first of the week.

Puritan oil heaters.—Charles A. Lamkin Co.

For sale: 30 acres, 1 1/2 miles south of Reedville, at \$40 per acre. Inquire Argus.

George Kostrer, of Timber, was in town Tuesday, and left out for the hills in the afternoon.

Satisfaction guaranteed in the Ocean Wave Washer.—Chas. A. Lamkin Co.

Milk haulers have been having a very tedious time for several days owing to the snow and mud.

Fine line of Mohair for waistings, all shades and colors, at H. Wehrung & Sons.

F. M. J. Murphy, the carpenter and builder, was in the city Saturday, from Beaverton.

Smoke the Schiller and Excelencia cigars.—Oregon manufacturer. Call for them.

John Welch, of Beaverton, was up to the county seat on probate business, Saturday.

Our fall line of dress goods, wash goods, flannellette, etc., is complete.—H. Wehrung & Sons.

C. W. Rollins, of this city, and who is traveling for a St. Louis hat house was home this week.

For sale: Open, rubber tire buggy, practically new, at a bargain.—Inquire at Argus office.

Peter Nelson, the West Union hoggrower, was an Argus caller Tuesday.

Wanted: Several tons of stock beds. Address, quoting price Albert N. Stanton, Hillsboro, Ore.

Edward Boge, of Farmington, was a county seat visitor Tuesday, and called on the Argus.

Fifty acres cleared land for sale; or will be divided in two 25-acre tracts; 1 1/2 miles of Hillsboro.—Inquire of Argus.

Thos. Thornburgh, who has been up in the Wasco country for a year, was in the city Friday and Saturday.

Wanted: Farms and lands of all kinds for sale and rent. Address J. R. Foreman, 305 East Morrison, Portland, Oregon.

J. A. Zimmerman, of Roseland Farm, near the Harris Bridge, was in the city, Tuesday, and called on the Argus office.

Biggest shipment of corn ever received in Hillsboro, at the Climax Mill store. Get in and order your land plaster early.

Frank Harberg, of Beaverton, was in town Tuesday. Mr. Harberg has been in the butcher business for a number of years.

Lost: Shepherd pup, short tail, white ring around neck and breast. Reward.—Wm. Taylor, Hillsboro, Ore., Baseline & First, next to Tillamook railway.

M. S. Shrock, field editor of the Pacific Homestead, of Salem, was in the city Saturday, in the interests of his publication.

A few cravettes left, both for lady and gentleman. Will be sold out at cost.—Schulmerich Bros.

The sink, hole at the gap, above Wapato, is again giving some trouble and trains run under the slow bell past that point.

We are sole agents for the celebrated Chatham fanmill. Price, complete, \$37.50.—Schulmerich Bros.

W. McQuillan, one of the best known stockmen of his section, was up from below Newton Tuesday.

You can save one half your hay by using a Freeman Feed Cutter. For sale by Nelson Hardware Co.

The Beaverton Fruit Growers Association will have a meeting at Beaverton, in the Grange hall, on Saturday, February 16, at 1:30 in the afternoon. A large attendance is requested.

Gents' and boys' clothing, fall line now in—Kub, Nathan & Fischer Sincerity make—at H. Wehrung & Sons.

X. A. Gassner, president of the Beaverton Fruit Growers' Association, was in the city, Tuesday, and called at the Argus office. He reports much pruning and spraying down in that section.

THE ETERNAL HIGHWAY QUESTION HERE AGAIN

J. J. VanKleeck Asks for Inner Side of Plan

WHERE WILL THEY FIRST START

Wants Rock Roads, but asks for an Explanation

The following letter sent the rock road question, containing some interesting comment on the same, is published because it reveals a desire for permanent road work and at the same time points out the objections prevailing in many parts of the county.

Beaverton, Oregon, Route 3, Feb. 4. Editor Argus:—I notice you have a coupon in the paper, and I have had quite a good chance to talk to some of the neighbors close here, and they nearly all think that the rock and new machinery, if purchased, will be used from Hillsboro to Portland via Beaverton, and as the people along the railway have that on which to depend to do their shipping to a certain extent, and as we have no railroad and on the contrary have from 12 to 20 miles to haul over, we do not feel we would be justified in signing to levy a tax and not get to use the machinery or rock in this part of the county—but if the money is to be put back in the same road district in which it is levied, I think that all the people here would sign. Hoping the matter can be explained so that every taxpayer can see fit to sign for rock roads, I remain,

Yours Truly, J. J. VanKleeck.

Mr. VanKleeck clearly shows that the people in his section are unanimous for rock roads. It is just a question of where, and when. This holds true all over the county as to rock road sentiment. It is not a question of immediate rock roads all over the county. That can not be done with an immediate expenditure of several hundred thousand dollars. The idea at present, so far as the Argus can learn, is to make a start on permanent rock road work. By expending from fifty to seventy-five thousand a year we could make a fine start. All can not have rock roads at once. The idea, as the Argus understands it, is to first rock the main thoroughfare through the county from East to West—that is, from the Portland mountain to Forest Grove. That would give us a rock road, then, from Portland clear to upper Gales Creek, a distance of practically forty miles. Then build the lateral roads, connecting the Farmington, Scholls, Laurel, Sherwood, Kinton and Tigardville; and the Glencoe, Greenville, Mountindale and Gaston sections by lateral roads to the main center road. By an expenditure of \$250,000 or \$300,000, this could be done, and in five or six years we could have roads second to none. Two years ago we spent fifty thousand dollars with no permanent results. Six years at \$50,000 per year, or three years at \$100,000 per year, would mean good rock thoroughfares all over the county, so far as main roads are concerned. That is the idea, clearly presented. It is not a Hillsboro deal, at all, for rock roads would mean more trade in Portland and less trade, doubtless in Hillsboro. This is going to be a great dairy county—contingent, of course, upon good roads. Each year we spend twenty five thousand dollars or so on the roads with no practical results. Ten years of this, with rock work, and it would mean \$250,000 in rock roads, double, or triple this, and we could have rock thoroughfares all over the county, so far as main roads are concerned—and then we would have something for our tax—and results that would be lasting, and profitable, as well. This is the situation, as the Argus understands it.

LUNCH AND COFFEE HOUSE

Home style lunches at all hours, from 10 cents up. Regular meals at regular meal hours during the week. Sunday, breakfast from 7 to 8:30. Noon meal, 12 to 1:30. Evening meal, 5:30 to 7 o'clock. In the Benson Bldg., Main Street, near Third.—D. E. Pizer.

Mrs. M. E. Young, of near Laurel, was an Argus caller Tuesday.

Have you tried the Den of Sweets' horehound candy for your cold?

W. L. Batchelder, of east of Glencoe, was in the city Tuesday.

For Sale: Five good cows, all in milk.—R. B. Porter, 1 1/2 miles northeast of Forest Grove, Route 2.

Born, to Andrew Philip and wife, of Harrieton, February 1, 1907, a son.

Herman Bishop, of the Bishop Brothers sawmill, on Shady Brook, was in town the first of the week. He says that his mill has plenty of orders ahead for the season's run.



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